THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L. NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION No.22861 of 2005

DATED: 31.01.2006

Between:

Karre Rajaiah and another.

... PETITIONERS

AND

The Singareni Collieries Company Limited and others.

... RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

The petitioners are working as Short Firers Grade-C in the Singareni Collieries Company Limited at Godavarikhani. According to them, they have acquired the requisite qualifications, way back in the year 1993, for being promoted to the said post, but were promoted only in the year 1998. They plead that some other persons, with similar qualifications and standing in the service, were promoted with effect from 1994 or 1995, as the case may be. The petitioners submitted representations on 07.02.2005 and 29.05.200 to the respondents, with a request to rectify the anomaly, and complain that no action has been taken thereon.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents.

The petitioners plead that they are entitled to be promoted as SF-'C' with effect from 1994/1995. They cited instances of certain employees, who have been promoted as SF 'C', on the dates indicated against their respective names. All of them are said to be juniors to the petitioners.

The circumstances, under which the said individuals were promoted or designated as SF 'C', much earlier to the petitioners, and the factors, that led to the delayed promotion of the petitioners, are not before this Court. It is difficult to record any finding on these disputed questions of fact, particularly at this stage. When the petitioners have submitted detailed representations, duly furnishing the particulars of themselves and other similarly situated employees, the respondents are under obligation to consider the same and pass appropriate orders. The representations cannot be kept pending indefinitely.

Therefore, the Writ Petition is disposed of, directing respondents 2 and 3 to pass appropriate orders on the representations of the petitioners, within a period of three (3) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

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